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**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b)
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): PNEUMATIC TIREBy (Inventors): Toshiro OYAMA

- ☒ 10 pages of Specification is attached.
☒ Drawings (3 sheets) is attached.
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
☒ An assignment of the invention to THE YOKOHAMA RUBBER CO., LTD. is attached, along with Form PTO-1595.
☒ A certified copy of Japanese Application(s) No.(s) 2000-328750 dated October 27, 2000 is attached

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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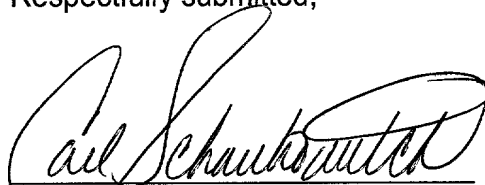
Sir:

Applicant continues to assert his right to priority in the above-identified application. Through no fault of Applicant, the application papers were not timely delivered to Applicant's U.S. patent counsel for filing with the USPTO because, under information and belief of Applicant's counsel, the Brentwood Post Office in Washington D.C. failed to timely deliver the application papers. The Brentwood Post Office was temporarily closed and mail in this facility was sequestered due to a terrorist act that contaminated its mail with anthrax spores.

Applicant requests that the USPTO honor this claim for priority as a result of circumstances beyond Applicant's control.

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